

## **REMARKS**

A request for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action of January 6, 2004 has been filed with the Request for Continued Examination, so that the due date for response is May 6, 2004.

The following is a written summary of the interview of 27 April 2004 with Examiner Brockett and George Gerstman, attorney for applicants. As stated by the examiner, the proposed claim 34 was discussed and amended, and examiner Brockett concluded that claim 34, as it stands, overcomes the prior art in that the gaming machine electronically transmits information for government regulatory approval, and that the gaming machine receives a message if the results fail to obtain government regulatory approval.

It is believed that the examiner agrees that claim 34 is supported by the disclosure of this application. Also, new dependent claims 35, 36, 37 and 38 are respectively supported by cancelled claims 3, 6, 27, and 30, as well as other disclosure in the application.

In view of the examiner's acknowledgment of patentability of claim 34 over the cited prior art, it is believed to be unnecessary to discuss the specific details of the Office Action of January 6, 2004, since all claims rejected therein have been cancelled.

In view of the above, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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